



DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING APPARATUS

the specification of which (check applicable box(es)).

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 35 U.S.C. 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-400361, filed December 28, 2000	Priority Claimed

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